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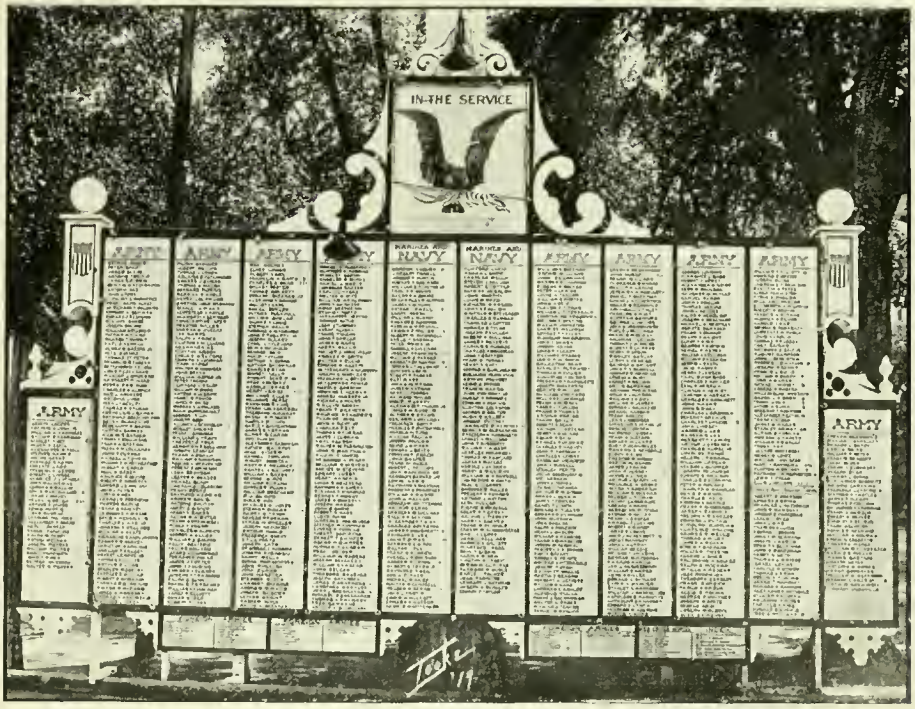
Let us never forget that we are the guardians of its present and its future prosperity."

From the Address of Hon. William G. Bates at the Bi-Centennial Celebration October 6, 1869.



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Tryon, Andrew H.
Tuohey, J Francis
Tyler, Norman S.
Waters, James C.
Welch, Charles
Welcome Ernest H.
Wesson, Edward P.
Whittemore, Harold
Whittemore Howard
Williams, Henry G.
Wilson, William S.
Wolcott, Edwin A.

January 1920

Greet ye all—the Days of Old,
And their wealth of life unfold.
Glad of heart, the record read
Of high courage, faithful deed,
As men wrought for Church and State,
Giving all, so they be great.
Years of growth and power ye see,
Sign and seal of years to be.

OLD ACADEMY BUILDING.

THURSDAY

1

1800. Academy building dedicated and opened for admission of students.
1806. Third Meeting House dedicated.
1868. Atheneum open to the public.
1902. Free Rural Delivery established.
1913. The new Parcel Post Law went into effect.

FRIDAY

2

1781. Voted to raise 150 pounds hard money to buy beef ordered for the army by the General Court.

1877. Institution of Annual Church Meeting.

SATURDAY

3

1912. A delegation of citizens and business men wait on selectmen in the interest of restoring the hitching posts on Elm street.

January 1920

SUNDAY

4

MONDAY

5

1672. Voted: To build a Meeting House thirty-six feet square. (The first Meeting House.)

SITE OF PARKS BLOCK.

TUESDAY

6

WEDNESDAY

7

1734. Simsbury Road (the present Kellogg's Tannery Road) laid out during this year.

THURSDAY

8

THE ATHENEUM.

FRIDAY

9

1867. The Atheneum presented to the town by Mr. Hiram Harrison.

SATURDAY

10

1827. Canal Notice: A special meeting of the company will be held in Westfield January 25th, at 10 o'clock in the morning "To take into consideration the subject of enlarging the Great River Feeder into a Navigable Canal"

January 1920

SUNDAY

11

1854. The Drum Factory established at Granville by Noble & Cooley.

MONDAY

12

1829. Organization of 1st Congregational Society as a body separate from the town.

1914. First day's business at present P. O. Building.

TUESDAY

13

1792. Constitution of the Westfield Library Company adopted.
Gen. Shepard moderator of the meeting.

1903. Father Mathew Building dedicated.

FRANKLIN STREET SCHOOL.

WEDNESDAY

14

1848. First meeting of Hampden County Teachers' Convention. David S. Rowe appointed president.

1774. Voted: That the Grammar School should not be moved from place to place.

1903. Parochial School built in 1898 burned; rebuilt the same year

THURSDAY

15

FRIDAY

16

1867. Land bought for Franklin Street School.

SATURDAY

17

FRANKLIN STREET.

January 1920

SUNDAY

18

MONDAY

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TUESDAY

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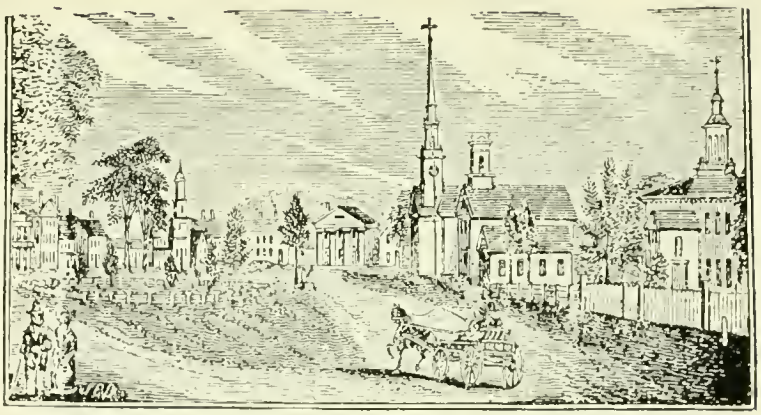


VIEW OF WESTFIELD GREEN AS IT APPEARED IN 1838 LOOKING NORTH FROM BROAD STREET.

1834. The church resolved that the manufacture and traffic in and use of ardent spirits as a drink is a great evil, and that it be considered as an immorality by this church and a disciplinable offence.

WEDNESDAY

21

1668. Voted: That James Cornish and others shall goe to Springfield the first Tuesday in February next at a town meeting, to propound to the town for the settlement of our place and affayres in particular, to determine where the lyne shall run betwixt Springfield and us, and to allow us to be in a township of ourselves.

THURSDAY

22

WESTFIELD GREEN.

FRIDAY

23

SATURDAY

24

1668. "It is agreed unaminously to disburse £40 in building a house for the minister's incouragment wch shall be paid in such manner as may be to best advantage."

January 1920

SUNDAY

25

1896. Burning of Old Covered County Bridge.

COWLES BRIDGE.

MONDAY

26

TUESDAY

27

WEDNESDAY

28

1880. Freshet in town which carried away most of temporary bridge over Great River.

THURSDAY

29

1733. The inner Commons of the town were divided.

COWLES BRIDGE—1917.

FRIDAY

30

1861. The present 1st Congregational church building dedicated.

SATURDAY

31

1749. The Church heard a report on the case of Jedediah Dewey for having become a Separatist and absenting himself from the Lord's table. The question was put whether Dewey ought not to be put out of the church. It was voted in the affirmative. He was, for some years, a preacher of the Separatists, here and in Bennington, Vt., where he finally died.

1891. The Foster Machine Co. incorporated.

February 1920

SUNDAY

1

1915. Gov. Walsh signs bill for incorporation of local Board of Trade.

MONDAY

2

1668. Springfield votes to permit Woronoke to become a township.

REWARD OF MERIT USED IN THE 40's.

TUESDAY

3

1896. Appropriation of $18,000 for new county bridge.

WEDNESDAY

4

1678. Town meeting voted to give Mr. Deutre £15 to act as schoolmaster. (First money paid by the town for Schools.)

MIDDLE FARMS.

THURSDAY

5

FRIDAY

6

SATURDAY

7

1664. At a general town meeting held at Springfield, a Standing Committee was chosen to have sole power to order matters concerning lands in Woronoco and for admittance of inhabitants or any other affairs that may conduce to the settling the said town.

February 1920

SUNDAY

8

MONDAY

9

TUESDAY

10

SECOND CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

WEDNESDAY

11

1896. Library Club at Granville organized.

THURSDAY

12

1856. Mt. Moriah Lodge F. & A. M. incorporated.

1917. Dedication of Fort Meadow School.

FRIDAY

13

1849. "In the House a petition was presented and referred ... of the Selectmen of Westfield against the petition of the New Haven & Northampton Canal Co. for the discontinuance of the canal." (The passing of the Canal Co.)

SATURDAY

14

1667. Among the orders of the committee is the order that the gate be well hung for the security of the field by the 25th and after that time whoever shall leave it open shall pay 5s to the proprietors.

February 1920

SUNDAY

15

MONDAY

16

Site of the New Park Square Hotel.

WORONOCO HOUSE.

TUESDAY

17

1902. Franchise granted to Western Massachusetts Street Railway from Woronoco Park to town line of Russell.

WEDNESDAY

18

1792. Russell set off and incorporated as an independent town.

1824. The Hampden Register issued: first newspaper published in Westfield. Discontinued Nov. 29, 1831.

THURSDAY

19

1703. The Selectmen were instructed to agree with "Ye Ingenes" for the purchase of all lands lying within town bounds not already paid for.

FRIDAY

20

1775. It was voted to encourage the Minute-Men who had offered their services for weapons for the same. The Committee reported that they had found "between 30 and 40 guns and a few Baggauets."

SATURDAY

21

1885. The first issue of The Valley Echo.

February 1920

SUNDAY

22

1849. "A large and enthusiastic meeting of the citizens of Westfield was held at the Town Hall last evening in relation to the contemplated railroad from Conn. state line to the Western R. R. Delegates were appointed to urge legislature to enact a law to have the R. R. constructed to strike the Western R. R. at this place."

MONDAY

23

1857. Report given of the first winter of evening school.

1864. Truant officers appointed.

TUESDAY

24

1897. Noble Hospital dedicated.

WEDNESDAY

25

1812. Hampden County was created.

THURSDAY

26

FRIDAY

27

1886. Spire of First Congregational Church blown down.

SATURDAY

28

1841. Westfield Newsletter established.

1861. 2nd Cong. Church Building dedicated.

1903. Keep Memorial Building dedicated.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

March 1920

SUNDAY
February
29

1704. The French and Indians after much slaughter and house burning started over the snow for Canada with 111 prisoners.

1916. The Engineering Department record for Feb. shows mercury went below zero six times. The coldest was Feb. 15 when a new record of 17 degrees below was established for the department. Feb. 1st mercury got up to 53 degrees.

MONDAY
1

1776. Flood, Squawfield Bridge carried off.

1833. Appropriation for Fire Engine and Hose.

1885. Dedication of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.
The church was organized in 1853.

1915. Girls' Club organized.

TUESDAY
2

1843. Methodist Church Building dedicated. Commercial Block.

1915. Opening of the Moseley School.

WEDNESDAY
3

1868. Report of Special Committee: "Too much attention is paid to Music, when the children should have been saying the Multiplication table and too much time is taken up with foolish gymnastics or spent in theorizing on mental topics instead of drilling them in the text books. Remember time is short and we cannot send children to school forever to acquire book learning."

THURSDAY
4

WESTFIELD ATHENÆUM AND PUBLIC LIBRARY.

FRIDAY
5

SATURDAY
6

1899. The Public Library dedicated.

March 1920

SUNDAY

7

1889. Y. M. C. A. Auxiliary formed.

MONDAY

8

1869. Police Officers established.

1869. Money appropriated for town clock to be set in First Congregational Church.

TUESDAY

9

1719. Voted: "to allow 45 shillings for the school at Little River."

1896. Mrs. L. J. Bruce chosen as a member of the School Committee. (First woman elected to the board.)

WEDNESDAY

10

1890. Australian Ballot system used.

1891. Y. M. C. A. incorporated.

THURSDAY

11

1864. Westfield Atheneum incorporated.

1888. The great blizzard. The town entirely cut off from outside communication.

FRIDAY

12

1821. The first bridge at Horton's Mill voted.

SATURDAY

13

1660. Grant of land to Samuel Chapin, below Springdale, to be bought of the Indians. One of the first grants of land in Woronoco.

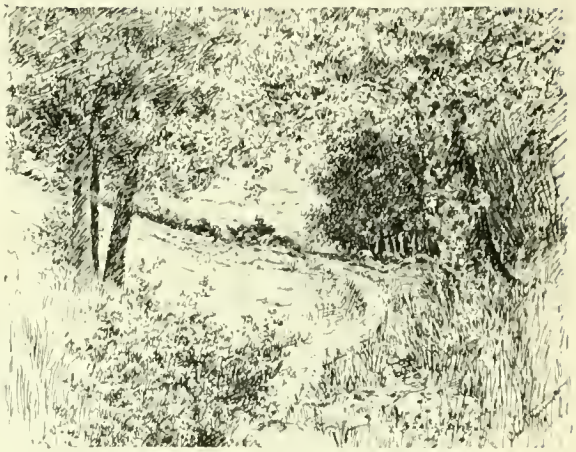
1826. Voted: The enlargement of burying ground. (Mechanic St.)

1893. A Special Board of Health first chosen.

March 1920

SUNDAY 14

1836. Town voted no longer to put town poor up at auction. The Town Farm established in 1841.



MONDAY 15

1826. Canal notice: For meeting where subscription of shares in Canal Stock may be entered.

TUESDAY 16

1886. Town first lighted by electricity.

WEDNESDAY 17

1869. First number of "Western Hampden Times."

THURSDAY 18

1667. Union Street laid out.

FRIDAY 19

1855. Adjourned Town Meeting. Voted: To establish a High School. Committee of five appointed to report plans, specifications and estimates for the same.

SATURDAY 20

1676. Order from Boston on account of King Phillip's war, to desert settlements and unite themselves with Springfield. Protest by the town caused order to be withdrawn.

1837. Bounds between Westfield and Southwick established.

March 1920

SUNDAY

21

1863. War values. Gold is estimated at $2.50.

1769. Town Meeting to discuss Church singing.

MONDAY

22

TUESDAY

23

A WINTER VIEW OF COURT STREET.

WEDNESDAY

24

THURSDAY 1890. The First Congregational Society voted to buy land for a Parish House.

25

FRIDAY 1829. The First Church voted to raise one hundred dollars for the support and encouragement of sacred music.

26

SATURDAY 1819. The first Sunday School held about this time.

27 1880. Charter granted the Textile Manufacturing Co.

March 1920

SUNDAY
28

1767. The long seats are taken down in the Meeting House and pews put in their places.

MONDAY
29

1873. Regular service has never been omitted. In this church stand two ancient stone angels which were in the reredos of the chapel of Eton College, England in the year 1450. Brought to Westfield in 1870.

TUESDAY
30

1911. First Evening Town Meeting held.

WEDNESDAY
31

1899. Agreement between town and the Westfield Gas Light Co. of the transference of gas and electric property to the town, June 1, 1899.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

1791. There was a ferryboat at Great River crossing, Elm Street.

THURSDAY
April
1

1895. Town Meeting voted "Dog Fund to Atheneum and $750 extra in order to eliminate membership fee, making the Library free."

FRIDAY
2

1832. Committee on naming of streets in center of town reported and report accepted and voted on.

1855. Voted: To pay the firemen, who shall have served one year as such, two dollars each.

SATURDAY
3

1896. Organization of the Board of Trade.

April 1920

SUNDAY

4

1876. M. E. Church dedicated.

1898. The Curfew by-law adopted.

METHODIST CHURCH.

MONDAY

5

1897. The system of storm sewers adopted.

TUESDAY

6

1835 Fire Wardens appointed to adopt such methods as they think proper.

WEDNESDAY

7

1834. Committee appointed to construct an Engine House and secure an "Engine Man."

1854. The first day's business of H. B. Smith & Co.

1913. $1150 appropriated for a drinking fountain in Depot Square.

THURSDAY

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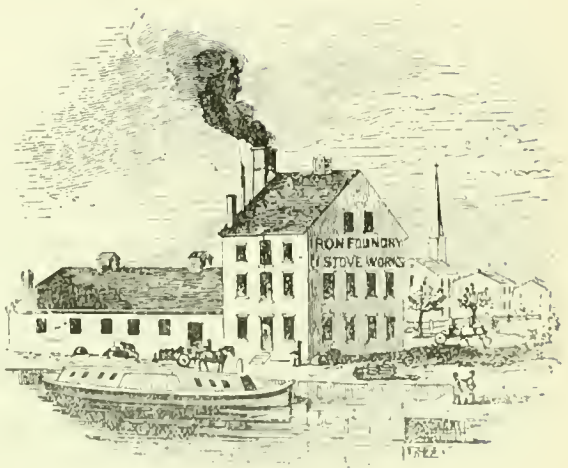


H. B. SMITH & CO.

FRIDAY

9

1888. Town voted that Supervisor of Music for the Public Schools be appointed. Mr. S. A. Weaver appointed.

SATURDAY

10

1775. Voted to raise £25 to purchase powder and warlike stores.

1798. First emigration of Westfield families from Mundale, to Lewis county, N. Y. "The Black River County."

April 1920

SUNDAY

11

1835. At April meeting town accepted a vote of a Park Committee who located an enclosure on the Public Green of an elliptical form, its greatest width to be 7 rods and its greatest length 20 rods. A second fence, with stone posts, was presented by Squire Fowler, and later the present curbing, raised by subscription, enclosed the park.

MONDAY

12

1916. Westfield Evening Journal established.

1769. Church music not acceptable.
"I preached, Stevenson sang, a number offended and went out."
(Dr. Ballantine's diary.)

TUESDAY

13

1766. A converted North American Indian preached at the Old Jury, London, to a polite audience. His christian simplicity was much admired.

1895. Highland and Woronoco Street R. R. agree to consolidate.

WEDNESDAY

14

1670. Boundary determined by a committee from Springfield.

1874. Westfield Water Works begun.

NOTICE!

"I want to either rent a slip or pew or purchase the same comfortably-situated in Mr. Knapp's Meeting House. H. GILLETT."
(This custom prevailed in the early 20's.)

THURSDAY

15

1853. Westfield Savings Bank organized.

FRIDAY

16

1867 The High School moved into Academy Building.

UP THE VALLEY.

SATURDAY

17

1919. 30 cans of fresh water trout, hatched by the government, arrived this afternoon for distribution in the streams and ponds in Westfield and vicinity.

April 1920

SUNDAY **18**	1919.	A number of hard Maple trees are being set out about town by the Tree Warden.
MONDAY **19**	1720.	Potatoes introduced into the Connecticut Valley about this time, were not used as a common article of diet until several years later.
TUESDAY **20**	1775.	At the first alarm sounded at Lexington Westfield sent out a company commanded by Warham Parks.
	1915	The Advent Church, Washington Street, dedicated.
WEDNESDAY **21**	1775.	The company of Minute-Men numbering 70 marched for Boston.
THURSDAY **22**	1877.	Governor Ames and Ex-Governor Robinson visited Westfield as guests of the Business Men's Association.
FRIDAY **23**	1666.	Benjamin Saxton the first white child born. (Month and day of birth unknown.) He lived to be 88 years old.
SATURDAY **24**	1895.	Library made free.

April 1920

SUNDAY

25

1849. The petitioners for the Canal R. R. have had a charter granted by the Legislature of Massachusetts.

LANDLORD FOWLER HOUSE.

MONDAY

26

1774. Voted: "To choose a Committee to consider what measures to take about forting the town."

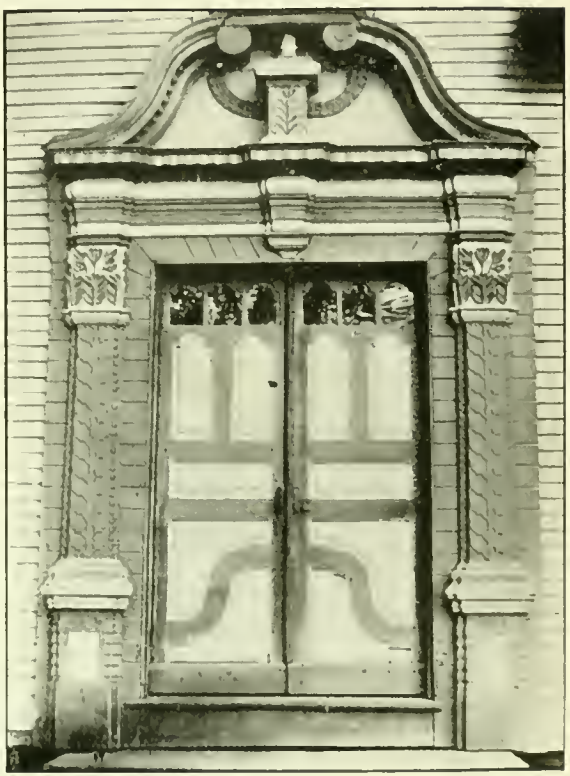
TUESDAY

27

WEDNESDAY

28

1919. 8:15 A. M. 3,500 carrier pigeons were released, the birds having been sent from Eastern N. E. They were soon on their homeward journey.



THURSDAY

29

1837. Beginning of beautifying town by planting of trees.

FRIDAY

30

The N. Y. Times in part says:

"Conspicuous among other acquisitions at the Metropolitan Museum of Art is a beautiful Colonial doorway taken from a house in Westfield, Mass. A valuable addition to the wonderful collection. Norman Morrison Isham says it is the best doorway he knows of the type in the valley of Connecticut."

SATURDAY

May

1

May 1920

SUNDAY

2

1826. JOHN H. STOWE,

having very recently visited the principal tailoring establishments in the city of New Haven, has obtained the latest and most approved fashions for the present season. Cutting done by the celebrated mathematical skeleton rule, which is founded on the proportion of the human frame and found to be the most accurate of any yet discovered. The subscriber pledges himself that no pains will be spared to render his work acceptable to his customers.

MONDAY

3

WHIP FACTORY BURNED IN 1853.

TUESDAY

4

WEDNESDAY

5

1871. Woronoco Savings Bank organized.

THURSDAY

6

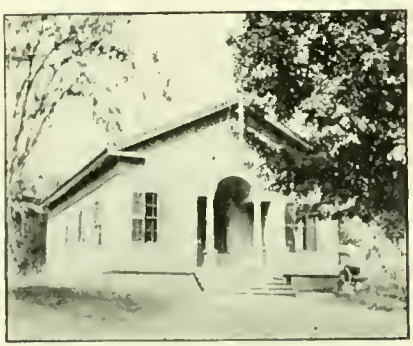
1855. Consolidation of American Whip Co. It was first organized in 1822. Whips were made as early as 1801 in Little River and Mundale.

1886. The District Court for Western Hampden was created.

FRIDAY

7

1843. Pine Hill Cemetery consecrated.



LITTLE RIVER SCHOOL

SATURDAY

8

May 1920

SUNDAY	9	1919. A prize of a gold piece $2.50 won this evening at the second annual speaking contest by Francis Waters at the Prospect Hill School.
MONDAY	10	1703. Voted: to build gallayres on each side of meeting house. 1895. Athenæum opened as Free Public Library.
TUESDAY	11	1834. A petition having been successfully circulated, the Westfield Green was graded about this time.
WEDNESDAY	12	1902. Town Almoner began duties.
THURSDAY	13	1725. The town voted "to give the widow Catherine Noble twenty-five shillings a month for keeping school." This is the first recognition in town records of a female teacher.
FRIDAY	14	1879. Rev. John H. Lockwood installed as pastor of First Congregational Church.
SATURDAY	15	1865. Incorporation of Hampden National Bank. Organized as a State Bank 1825. 1880. Corner stone of Episcopal Church laid. Church organized in 1860.

May 1920

SUNDAY

16

1759. Marching forth of Soldiers to Canada.

MONDAY

17

HAMPDEN BANK AND SITE OF MORRISSEY BLDG.

TUESDAY

18

1669. The general Court of Massachusetts authorized a town at Woronoke alias Streamfield to be known as the town of Westfield.

1841. First train composed of engine and several freight cars over Western R. R. to Chester.

WEDNESDAY

19

THURSDAY

20

1812. Appointment of first Judge of Probate. Hon. Sam'l Fowler, appointed by Gov Gerry.

FRIDAY

21

1874. Western Avenue completed.

SATURDAY

22

1888. Y. M. C. A. organized There was an association in 1866.

W. H. FOOTE'S CLOTHING STORE ABOUT 1860. PRESENT SITE OF MORRISSEY BUILDING.

May 1920

SUNDAY

23

1833. Central Baptist Church organized.

MONDAY

24

1913. Formal opening of the Columbus Building.

TUESDAY

25

WEDNESDAY

26

WASHINGTON TAVERN.

THURSDAY

27

1862. The sidewalk from the Green to Great River Bridge completed. "This is an improvement which was much needed."

FRIDAY

28

1669. In persuance of the former proceedings, and especially of the vote of the inhabitants of Springfield, the General Court passed an order, as the act of incorporation of the town of Westfield.

SATURDAY

29

1873. Act to supply town of Westfield with pure water approved by the court.

1904. Polish Church dedicated (formerly Lay Whip Co.) present structure. May 15, 1910.

June 1920

SUNDAY

30

1868. First set apart for putting flowers on graves of soldiers.

1871. Soldiers' monument dedicated.
"Evermore may it stand guard over these homes of ours, teaching perpetual lessons of undying patriotism, heroic self sacrifice and loyalty to truth and and faith and duty."
(Hon. E. B. Gillett.)

SOLDIER'S MONUMENT.

MONDAY

31

TUESDAY
June
1

1836. Ordination of Revd. Emerson Davis as Associate Pastor with the Rev. Mr. Knapp. Rev. Mr. Todd of Northampton preaching the sermon.

WEDNESDAY

2

1779. Voted: to raise £150 to buy beef for the Continental Army.

THURSDAY

3

1842. "A brick yard has been opened near the Great River Aequeduct, in this town, where quite a stiff business is done in the brick making line. The clay is brought down on the canal."

1869. The Advent Church organized.

FRIDAY

4

1703. Town bounds with Suffield established this month.

SATURDAY

5

1720. "Voted: That on Wednesday, June 8, all able bodied men from 17 years upward should assemble to raise the frame of the Second Meeting House." It was instructed that several barrels of beer be furnished for the occasion and that "the minester should be present to pray over the proceedings."

1855. St. Mary's Cemetery was laid out about this time.

1889. Filling up of the canal completed.

June 1920

SUNDAY

6

1889. Corner stone of Universalist Church laid. The church organized in 1853.
1903. Electric cars to Hampton Ponds.

MONDAY

7

RIVERSIDE MEADOWS.

TUESDAY

8

WEDNESDAY

9

1836. The fare from this place to New York via the Hartford steamboats is $2.25. To those who have never visited New York we recommend our friends to embrace the opportunity for cheap travelling, do so without (The Talisman, 1836.)

THURSDAY

10

1805. A colony set out from Granville, Mass., for Granville, O.

FRIDAY

11

1903. First through electric car to Holyoke.

SATURDAY

12

THE HIGHLANDS ON THE HOLYOKE ROAD.

June 1920

SUNDAY

13

1676. "The early settlers designated their houses for Sabbath gatherings, meeting houses, for they were used, when ever they met together, to transact any business requiring the meeting together of the people."

MONDAY

14

Scores of persons in Connecticut Valley were fined, some for wearing silk in a flaunting manner, and others for indulging in long hair. Five of these were from Westfield.

1901. Westfield Historical Society formed.

TUESDAY

15

1869. The Westfield musicians who help swell the chorus at the Peace Jubilee started for Boston. They took special pains to prepare themselves for the great concert.

WEDNESDAY

16

1863. First National Bank began business as a National Bank. Organized as a State Bank 1851. Oldest National Bank in the State doing business.

THURSDAY

17

1775. Battle of Bunker Hill. Some Westfield men were there and also in the Quebec expedition the next winter.
1793. Westfield Academy incorporated.
1800. Town of Westfield empowered to build a toll bridge over Great River.

FRIDAY

18

1826. "The first settled rain for forty-two days." (Hampden Register.)

SATURDAY

19

1793. Charter granted to Westfield Academy by General Court. Rev. Noah Atwater, fourth pastor of church, largely instrumental in securing it.

June 1920

SUNDAY

20

1873. Board of Water Commissioners appointed.

1892. The present Normal School Building dedicated.

WESTFIELD STATE NORMAL SCHOOL.

MONDAY

21

1845. Woronoco Lodge of I. O. O. F. instituted.

TUESDAY

22

1729. Death of Revd. Edward Taylor.

"Here rests the body of ye Revd.
Mr. Edw. Taylor, ye Aged, Venerable,
Learned and Pious Pastor of ye
Church of Christ in this Town, who
after He had served God and
his generation faithfully for many
years fell asleep, June 24, 1729."

WEDNESDAY

23

THURSDAY

24

FRIDAY

25

SATURDAY

26

1760. There is in town a regular officer captured in Quebec April last.

July 1920

SUNDAY
27

MONDAY
28

1749. David Moseley, Esq., received a Commission from King George II appointing him Magistrate of Hampshire Co., which then embraced the present Hampden Co.

TUESDAY
29

1837. The first meeting of the State Board of Education.

WEDNESDAY
30

1669. Alquat the Indian Sachem of Woronoke transferred land to Capt. John Pynchon for Westfield settlers. Said land lying between Little and Great Rivers.

THURSDAY
July
1

1683.

"Here
Lyeth the
body of Abig-
ail, the wife of
John Noble who
Died July 3rd Ano
1683 in ye 20th yeare
of her age."
(On the oldest stone in the Mechanic Street Cemetery.)

FRIDAY
2

1789. Gen'l Shepard was elected deacon of the Church.

SATURDAY
3

1911. The Church of Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament was set apart from St. Mary's parish on May 22, 1910. The Church was dedicated by Bishop Beaven.

1874. The consolidation of Westfield Hampden Times and News Letter.

July 1920

SUNDAY

4

1894. Woronoco Park opened to the Public. First cars of Highland Street R. R. run to the Park.

MONDAY

5

1905. Troops arriving at Camp Bartlett.

TUESDAY

6

1896. Work begun at grade crossing at B. & A. depot. The little park beyond the station was laid out during this summer.

WEDNESDAY

7

1894. Appropriation made to macadamize Court Street.

1905. Governor's Day at Camp Bartlettt. Reception to Governor Douglas and General Miles at residence of H. W. Ely.

1919. Whip City Council, No. 100, K. of C. celebrates its twenty-fifth anniversary.

1896. Contract signed for Lozier Bicycle factory, now the Westfield Manufacturing Company, makers of the celebrated Columbia, Rambler, Cleveland, Crescent, Tribune and Pope bicycles.

THURSDAY

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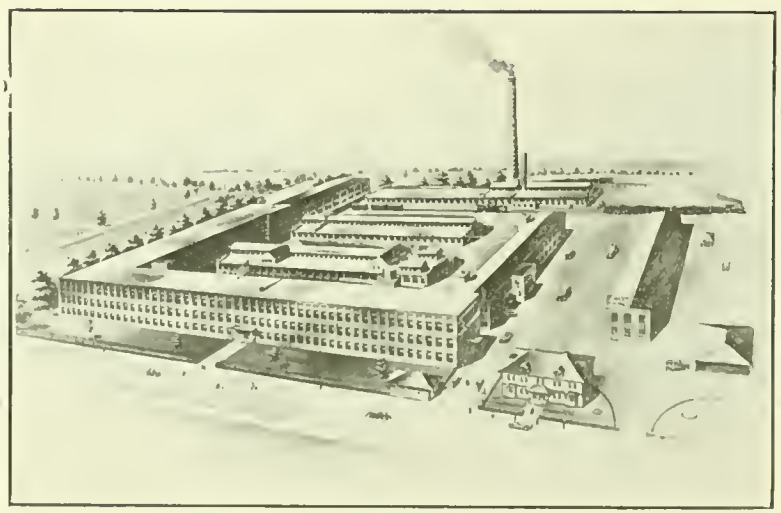

WESTFIELD MANUFACTURING CO.

FRIDAY

9

SATURDAY

10

July 1920

SUNDAY

11

MONDAY

12

TUESDAY

13

ARTILLERY ENTERING WESTFIELD.

WEDNESDAY

14

1889. Work begun on the new sewerage system.

THURSDAY

15

HAMPTON PLAINS

FRIDAY

16

SATURDAY

17

1895. Horse cars changed for electricity.
1900. Weaver Summer School of Music opened.

July 1920

SUNDAY

18

MONDAY

19

1774. Town favored a continental congress.

TUESDAY

20

1871. Severe earthquake shock lasting several seconds.

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.

WEDNESDAY

21

1774. The town voted unanimously, and granted to be paid out of the town treasury, forty shillings for the Committee of Congress.

THURSDAY

22

1863. Church Union in recreation. "The picnic of the Baptist Sunday School occurs to-day. The schools connected with all the churches are invited to join in the festivities of the day and meet at the Central Baptist Church at 8 a. m. Lover's Lane, the most beautiful spot, has been selected for the gathering."

FRIDAY

23

1860. Town Hall repaired and stone steps built this year.

1895. Paving of School street completed.

SATURDAY

24

1893. The First Congregational Church Society voted to build a Parish House.

July 1920

SUNDAY

25

1871. Voted: That the Selectmen and Fire Wardens be instructed to procure a steam fire engine for the use of the town.
1899. Tekoa Golf Club organized.
1911. Reorganized as Tekoa Country Club.

TEKOA COUNTRY CLUB.

MONDAY

26

TUESDAY

27

WEDNESDAY

28

1861. The 10th regiment, including Co. K of Westfield, arrived at Washington.
1848. The change from keeping Saturday night to Sunday night was made about this time, although some of the older people kept the former into the sixties.

THURSDAY

29

WESTFIELD RIVER AND UPPER FRANKLIN STREET FROM CLUB HOUSE.

FRIDAY

30

SATURDAY

31

August 1920

SUNDAY

1

1889. Gamewell Fire Alarm system introduced.

MONDAY

2

TUESDAY

3

COURT STREET IN SUMMER.

WEDNESDAY

4

THURSDAY

5

1879. Telephone introduced into Westfield.

FRIDAY

6

1857. Corner stone of second Academy building laid. (Later the High School.)

SATURDAY

7

1837. Town appropriated $4,500 for "Town House and High School," which according to a vote July 19, was to be located "in a line with front of buildings on East side of Green and North of Meeting House, its westerly line to agree with front line of Academy yard."

August 1920

SUNDAY

8

1677. Drum beating by some one person for about one hundred and fifty years served instead of bell-ringing to promote punctual attendance at Church.

1888. Decided to establish Free Delivery system at Westfield P. O.

MONDAY

9

1678. Governor and Council in Boston approve the plan of organizing a Church in Westfield.

TUESDAY

10

1856. The Loomis street road opened.

WEDNESDAY

11

1668. Meeting called to vote on calling a minister. "Voted unanimously that we will look out for a minister to carry on the works of God in this place."

THURSDAY

12

1868. The Central Baptist Church dedicated.

FRIDAY

13

1728. A bell was bought for the "bell coney" of the church to take the place of the old time drum. Exact date unknown, but it was paid for by the ceding of 200 acres of land.

SATURDAY

14

BAPTIST CHURCH.

August 1920

SUNDAY

15

1773. From Dr. Ballantine's diary:
My son William went with my son Ebenezer to be examined for admission to Harvard College, but was not admitted. He was examined in Ephesians but had only studied in the gospels. He was admitted afterward Sept. 11.

MONDAY

16

1762. Many law suits the consequence of extravagance, imprudence, idleness, fraud and covetousness.

TUESDAY

17

1917. Camp Bartlett occupied for the mobilization of United States troops.

WEDNESDAY

18

HORTON'S BRIDGE—1914.

THURSDAY

19

FRIDAY

20

1765. Bears are plenty. They kill sheep and hogs.
(Dr. Ballantine's diary.)

SATURDAY

21

1890. Franchise given to the Worcester Street R. R

August 1920

SUNDAY

22

IN THE FIELDS.

MONDAY

23

1826. Organizing in this village a Volunteer Company of Firemen. "The Rough and Ready Company."

TUESDAY

24

1763. "A council of Separatists held to determine whether Rev. Jedediah Dewey should be dismissed from them."

WEDNESDAY

25

1858. Dedication of New Academy Building.

THURSDAY

26

1895 First pole set for electric road.

1679. Ordination of Rev. Edward Taylor and organization of 1st. Cong. Church.

FRIDAY

27

1915. Every town in county except one represented at Community Picnic on the Green.

SATURDAY

28

1895 Granville Jubilee.

MUNN'S BROOK.

September 1920

SUNDAY
29

1780. A cotton mill installed near Great River Bridge. It was burned in 1820 and never rebuilt.

MONDAY
30

1761. A large portion of the inhabitants of Pittsfield at the time of its incorporation were from Westfield. "Holland."

1883. Death of Mr. A. E. Gibbs, for sixteen years the faithful and inspiring Principal of Westfield High School.

TUESDAY
31

1762. No rain fell from the 1st of May to 1st of September—123 days.

1898. Appropriation of $17,000 for new Main Street Bridge over Little River

1919. Beginning of our 250th anniversary.

WEDNESDAY
September
1

1855. 1 p. m. Scholars examined for admission to High School at High School room under Town Hall. "None over 15 years old need apply. Applicant must be able to read fluently and will be examined in English Grammar, Arithmetic through fractions and in the geography of the Western Continent."

1919. Anniversary Pageant.

THURSDAY
2

1889. First Superintendent of Schools, Mr. G. H. Danforth, began work.

1902. President Roosevelt visited Westfield.

1919. Community Picnic and Dance on "the Green."

FRIDAY
3

1783. Treaty of Peace between Great Britain and the United States celebrated in town by cannon firing, sermon, public banquet, etc.

1846. Old Normal School Building dedicated.

1919. Dedication of the Gen'l Shepard Monument.

SATURDAY
4

1839. Second Normal School in State and in America opened at Barre; transferred to Westfield 1844.

September 1920

SUNDAY

5

1893. Supervisor of Drawing began work in town schools.

MONDAY

6

DICKINSON HALL.

TUESDAY

7

WEDNESDAY

8

1899. Granville water supply first used.

1903. Cooking introduced into the public school system.

THURSDAY

9

1874. Opening of Normal School Boarding House on Washington street. Dickinson Hall in 1903.

1901. Manual Training introduced into schools.

FRIDAY

10

1833. First Methodist church building dedicated. Church organized in 1812. Mundale had the first Methodist class in 1800.

1833. First issue of Westfield Journal.

1855. First term of High School opened.

SATURDAY

11

1884. Free text books introduced into the schools.

September 1920

SUNDAY

12

1827. New Floating Bridge 700 feet long launched at Southwick on the Hampshire and Hampden Canal, with music and cannon.

MONDAY

13

A WATER LANE—SOUTHWICK PONDS.

TUESDAY

14

WEDNESDAY

15

1784. Baptist Church first organized.

1792. Sybil Mosely Bingham born, Missionary to Sandwich Islands in 1819.

THURSDAY

16

1892. Paving of Elm street completed.

FRIDAY

17

1879. After about ten years of service Miss Mary E. Kingsley retired from teaching Music in the Schools, and there was no Supervisor of Music in town until 1888.

SATURDAY

18

1890. Dedication of remodelled High School Building. The income from the Academy Fund was given at this time as an additional support for the High School.

September 1920

SUNDAY

19

1901. Memorial service to the late President McKinley. Congressman Frederick Huntington Gillett gave the address.

HIGH SCHOOL.

MONDAY

20

TUESDAY

21

WEDNESDAY

22

1890. Beginning of High School Business Course.

THURSDAY

23

1783. $50,000 was contributed by Westfield for the War of the Revolution.
1833. A new fire engine, recently purchased in New York, has arrived.
1901. Acting Governor Roger Wolcott visited Hampden county fair at Woronoco Park.
1908. The Sarah Gillett Home for Aged People dedicated. Organized Sept. 21, 1899 as the Westfield Home for Aged People. Mr. L. N. Clark, the first president.

FRIDAY

24

INGERSOLL HOUSE.

SATURDAY

25

September 1920

SUNDAY

26

MONDAY

27

TUESDAY

28

TERMINUS OF ELECTRIC ROAD IN HUNTINGTON.

1816. There was a frost every month of the summer and then a severe drought prevailed. The corn failed to ripen and almost no crops were gathered.

WEDNESDAY

29

1901. Dedication of new Y. M. C. A. building.

THURSDAY

30

HIGH BRIDGE, FAIRFIELD.

FRIDAY

October

1

SATURDAY

2

October 1920

SUNDAY

3

1837. Cupola voted for Town House.

1837. Appointment of men to care for fire engines and to haul hooks and ladders to place of fire.

MONDAY

4

1888. Dedication of new hall in P. O. Building by Woronoco Lodge of I. O. O. F.

1899. First meeting of Board of Directors of Shurtleff Mission.

1905. Electric road to Huntington opened to the public.

TUESDAY

5

1869. Flood in Westfield.

1879. Celebration of 200th Anniversary of the Founding of First Church.

WEDNESDAY

6

1869. Celebration of the 200th Anniversary of the Town.

1859. Organization of the Park and Tree Association.

THURSDAY

7

1897. First regular meeting of High School Extension classes.

FRIDAY

8

SATURDAY

9

BROAD STREET.

October 1920

SUNDAY

10

1886. Opening of First Congregational Church after disaster to the spire in February.

WOLFPIT MEADOWS.

MONDAY

11

TUESDAY

12

1917 Dedication of the Nurses' Home (Noble Hospital.)

WEDNESDAY

13

1868. Crane Brothers begin business.

1836. Sleighing began and lasted all winter.
1900. Corner stone laid of the Y. M. C. A. building.

THURSDAY

14

NOBLE HOSPITAL.

FRIDAY

15

SATURDAY

16

1768. At the marriage of Dr. Ballantine's daughter to Captain John Ashley, the following gifts were sent to the parsonage by the congregation: 1 gallon of rum, 2 quarts rum, a leg of mutton, 1 quart rum, 2 quarts brandy, flour and suet, butter, a pig, 2 quarts rum, a loin of mutton, a pig and three fowls, a piece of veal and suet, cabbage, potatoes, 2 fowls and two quarts of brandy.

October 1920

SUNDAY

17

1860. The Prince of Wales will pass through this place, in a special train on the Western R. R., about 12 o'clock.

1777. Burgoyne surrendered at Saratoga, N. Y., later he and his troops passed thro our town as prisoners of war.

MONDAY

18

1755. The first brick dwelling house built in Hampden County. (Barnum Perry place in Pochassic.)

1844. Beginning of the Church Organ industry by Mr. Wm. Johnson.

TUESDAY

19

1898. Completion of Ashley Street School, in which was opened, immediately, the first town Kindergarten.

WEDNESDAY

20

1871. A year of earthquakes. Heavy earthquake shock.

1874. Montgomery Water Works completed.

THURSDAY

21

FRIDAY

22

SATURDAY

23

THE ROAD BETWEEN WESTFIELD AND MONTGOMERY

October 1920

SUNDAY
24

1794. An accurate plan of the Town to be made.

1833. First map of the Town was published, complying with the State Law passed in 1831. Exact day unknown.

MONDAY
25

1900. Delivery station for Library books opened at Wyben School House.

TUESDAY
26

1726. Rev. Nehemiah Bull ordained second pastor of First Church.

WEDNESDAY
27

1675. "Being the first snowy day of winter."

1803. The town chose a committee to make arrangements for settling Isaac Knapp. (The last Town minister.)

THURSDAY
28

1692. Deacons chosen for church; until then the pastor the only officer.

1868. Cattle Show on Moseley's Park.

1878. Opening of Baptist Memorial Building.

FRIDAY
29

1825. The town's system of finance was revised and the old burying ground to be enlarged, the new lots to be sold at auction.

SATURDAY
30

1834. Mechanic street, the first one to be opened for building purposes, was laid out.

November 1920

SUNDAY
31

1666. Meeting at Streamfield by the Committee.

MONDAY
November
1

1700. Voted: "That there shall be a scool hous built eighteen foots square."

1826. The excavation of Hampshire and Hampden Canal is to be commenced this day in Southwick. (Hampden Register.)

TUESDAY
2

1861. The 27th Regiment, including Co. F. of Westfield, started for seat of war.

WEDNESDAY
3

1861. Soldiers' Aid Association formed.

THURSDAY
4

FRIDAY
5

SATURDAY
6

BUILT BY CAPT. WM. MOSELEY IN 1786.

November 1920

SUNDAY

7

1737. The pastor and twelve male members of the church were appointed a Commission of ye church to consider matters of difficulty, called at the time Pastor and Trustees of the church.

1770. Part established as the district of Southwick.

MONDAY

8

VILLAGE GREEN AT SOUTHWICK.

TUESDAY

9

WEDNESDAY

10

1890. Burning of the Old Academy Building. At which time fell Paul Revere bell, bought in 1801.

THURSDAY

11

1829. The new canal boat, Gen. Sheldon, built and owned by Mr. Z. Bozworth, was launched on Wednesday last. The boat slid into the water in fine style amidst the cheers and acclamations of a large concourse of citizens. The first boat launched in Westfield.

1918. Celebration of Armistice.

FRIDAY

12

1812. Time of Town Meeting changed from first Monday in April to second Monday in March.

SATURDAY

13

1820. Deed from Samuel Fowler to town of the Old Town House and the land on which it stood, to be used for town or religious purposes.

November 1920

SUNDAY 14

1855. Westfield Institute announced its lecturers for the winter. Among the speakers we find the names of Bayard Taylor, Henry Ward Beecher, Geo Wm. Curtis.

MONDAY 15

1870. Southwick Academy opened.

1871. Westfield and Holyoke Steam Railroad opened.

TUESDAY 16

1803. Rev. Isaac Knapp ordained the fifth pastor of First Church.

1817. Death of Gen. William Shepard, aged 80.

WEDNESDAY 17

1770. Southwick set off from Westfield and incorporated as a separate town.

THURSDAY 18

1639. "It is ordered that Edw. Hopkins now governor shall have the benefitte and liberty of free trade at Waranocoe and at any place thereabout up the River for a term of seven year and the land be purchased for the Commonwealth." (Coun. Colony Records.)

1855. Telegraph office opened at the Railroad depot.

FRIDAY 19

1677. Order for inhabitants of W. to settle in a certain fortified area as protection from Indians in King Philip's War.

1896. Electric cars run to Union street under new viaduct.

SATURDAY 20

1827. First warming of the Meeting House. The town voted that the selectmen procure at the expense of the Congregational Society, two stoves together with the pipes, the cost not to exceed 80 dollars.

November 1920

SUNDAY

21

1781. Rev. Noah Atwater ordained fourth pastor of First Church.

1860. Gas first turned on in Westfield stores.

1905. Town voted to apply to the legislature for a city charter.

MONDAY

22

TUESDAY

23

WEDNESDAY

24

ONE MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION.

THURSDAY

25

1893. 2.30 P. M. William Warren Thread Works reorganized. Began in Westfield in 1880.

FRIDAY

26

1777. During the War for Independence. It is a matter of history it took twenty yoke of oxen and eighty men to convey a mortar over the hills to West Point. Twenty of these eighty men would be required to drive the oxen. A part of the prisoners taken at Bennington in 1777 passed over this road on their way through Westfield to Boston.

SATURDAY

27

1783. Westfield celebrated the return of Peace. Thirteen guns, in honor of the states joined in one nation, was the morning salute.

November 1920

SUNDAY

28

MONDAY

29

MONTGOMERY.

TUESDAY

30

1780. Montgomery set off from Westfield and incorporated as a separate town.

WEDNESDAY

December

1

1737. General William Shepard born.

GEN. WILLIAM SHEPARD.

State Representative, Senator, Councilor, Member of Congress.

THURSDAY

2

FRIDAY

3

SATURDAY

4

December 1920

SUNDAY

5

MONDAY

6

TUESDAY

7

A TOBACCO FIELD.

Cigar Manufacturing established in the early 40's.

WEDNESDAY

8

1698. Voted: "That all boys capable to go to school their parents or masters to pay three pence a week for readers and four pence a week for wrighters."

THURSDAY

9

1860. Last public service in the Third Meeting House.

FRIDAY

10

1917. The first herd of registered Polled Herefords introduced in Mass. by the Woronoak Farms Co.

1878. The great flood.

A FLOOD SCENE.

SATURDAY

11

December 1920

SUNDAY

12

1710. The old burying ground early set apart; John Lee was chosen to dig graves at 3s.

1798. The Academy bell to be rung at 9 o'clock at night.

MONDAY

13

1881. Westfield Co-operative Bank chartered.

TUESDAY

14

1755. Pholix, a slave, born. Some slaves were kept in Westfield until after the Revolution.

WEDNESDAY

15

1866. $10,000 fund for Atheneum given by Samuel Mather.

THURSDAY

16

1703. Engagement of Joseph Sexton, the town clerk as school teacher. "The said Joseph Sexton is hereby bound and obliged to keep school from ye day of ye date hereof until the fifteenth day of April next ensuing."

FRIDAY

17

1896. Completion of new County Bridge and its acceptance as a part of State Highway.

WINTER.

SATURDAY

18

December 1920

SUNDAY

19

1678-9. "The seats in the meetinghouse were allotted according to dignity at this time. Seats to be paid for by the town for those that did not pay themselves."

MONDAY

20

1687. This month ten pounds were voted for town expenses. Twelve (12) pounds for town charges.

TUESDAY

21

1719. Town voted "to build a new Meeting House barn fation, with a bell coney upon the middle of it, fifty-two foots in length and 40 foots in bredth."

WEDNESDAY

22

1620. The Beginning of New England. The Pilgrims landed at Plymouth.

MT. TEKOA.

1913. 3 p. m. First celebration of Town Christmas tree on the Village Green.

THURSDAY

23

FRIDAY

24

SATURDAY

25

December 1920

SUNDAY

26

"ALONG THE WESTERN R. R." SALMON FALLS.

MONDAY

27

TUESDAY

28

1803. Presentation of two silver plated flagons, by Hon. Samuel Fowler, to the Church for the Lord's Table.

WEDNESDAY

29

1855. Completion of the Observation School, which marked a new epoch in school teaching.

THURSDAY

30

1841. The first through train with passenger cars on the Western R. R. was run from Worcester to Albany.

FRIDAY

31

1890. Commission decides on the abolishing of grade-crossings on the Canal R. R. at Chapel, Thomas, Main and Silver streets

TOWN HALL.

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